## **Notice of Determination**

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SUBJECT: Filing of Notice of Determination pursuant to Public Resources Code section 21108

State Clearinghouse Number: 2012111011

**Project Title:** Lane Channel Rehabilitation Project (Lake or Streambed Alteration Agreement No. EPIMS-ORA-25795-R5)

**Project Location (Orange County):** The project is located at Lane Channel, a tributary to San Diego Creek, in the City of Irvine, County of Orange, State of California; Latitude 33.689911, Longitude -117.853035; Assessor's Parcel Number 430-073-01.

**Project Description:** The California Department of Fish and Wildlife (CDFW) has executed Lake and Streambed Alteration Agreement (EPIMS-ORA-25795-R5), pursuant to Fish and Game Code section 1602 to the project Applicant, Orange County Department of Public Works as represented by Giles Matthews.

The project is limited to the replacement of earthen banks with ungrouted riprap in Lane Channel, in two sections, between Main Street and State Route 55. The channel has urban runoff which will be pumped around the construction site via cofferdams and sump pumps. The bank toe and earthen slopes will be excavated out into benches, then the slopes will be backfilled and compacted. Filter fabric will be placed on to the slopes, followed by a gravel base, then with large angular 2-foot thick riprap. The riprap will be locked into place via excavator. The existing sloughing riprap will be replaced with new riprap and the channel invert will remain earthen. Mitigation for project impacts will occur off site at the Peter's Canyon Wash Mitigation Area within Peter's Canyon Regional Park.

This is to advise that CDFW, acting as a Responsible Agency, approved the project described above on July 17, 2023 and has made the following determinations regarding the project pursuant to California Code of Regulations section 15096, subdivision (i):

- 1. The project will not have a significant effect on the environment. This determination is limited to effects within CDFW's permitting jurisdiction as a Responsible Agency.
- 2. CDFW considered the Mitigated Negative Declaration prepared by the Lead Agency for this project pursuant to California Code of Regulations section 15096, subdivision (f).
- 3. Mitigation measures were made a condition of CDFW's approval of the project.
- 4. A Mitigation Reporting or Monitoring Plan was adopted by CDFW for this project.
- 5. A Statement of Overriding Considerations was not adopted by CDFW for this project.
- 6. Findings were not made by CDFW pursuant to California Code of Regulations section 15091.

The Mitigated Negative Declaration/Negative Declaration prepared for the project is available to the general public at the office location listed above for the Lead Agency. CDFW's record of project approval as a Responsible Agency is available at CDFW's regional office.

Date Received for filing at OPR:

## Notice of Determination Signature: Date: 7/17/2023 Erinn Wilson-Olgin, Environmental Program Manager